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In the Application of Herbert Gust

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For: COMPONENT COMPRISED OF AT LEAST ONE SUPPORT MEMBER AND AT LEAST ONE PART CONNECTED THERETO AS WELL AS METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A CONNECTION BETWEEN A SUPPORT MEMBER AND A PART OF SUCH COMPONENT

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 08/13/01**

In response to the outstanding Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**REMARKS**

The present amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2001, which set a three-month period for response. Filed herewith is a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time, making this amendment due by February 13, 2002.

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application.

In the Office Action, claims 1-16 continue to stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,874,170 to Heine in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,958,532 to Krause, as recited in section 6 of Paper No. 4 and repeated in